

IN THE CLAIMS

Please take action regarding the claims so that the status is as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A collapsible table alternately configurable in expanded and collapsed configurations, comprising:
 - (a) a support frame having a horizontally collapsible truss;
 - (b) an expansion leaf pivotally connected to said support frame; [[and]]
 - (c) locking mechanism for maintaining said expansion leaf in a horizontal plane, said locking mechanism comprising a support arm and an extension arm articulated relative to one another, and said locking mechanism being pivotally connected at opposing ends to said support frame and said expansion leaf; and ~~having a bendable portion therebetween.~~
 - (d) a stop bar which extends from the support frame and is configured to abut a portion of said locking mechanism when the table is in a collapsed configuration.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) The collapsible table according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein said extension arm has a slot for receiving a pin extending from said support arm.
4. (Original) The collapsible table according to claim 3 wherein said slot has a locking end wherein said pin engages said locking end to maintain said extension arm in axial alignment.
5. (Original) The collapsible table according to claim 4 wherein

said slot has a pivoting end wherein as said pin engages said pivoting end to allow said extension arm to pivot with respect to said support arm.

6. (Original) The collapsible table according to claim 5 wherein said support arm has an aperture for allowing said extension arm to pivot with respect to said support arm.

7. (Currently Amended) The collapsible table according to claim 6 wherein said support arm has a ~~chanel~~ channel for allowing the extension arm to slid therein.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A table support system comprising:

- (a) an expansion leaf pivotally connected to a table support ~~structure~~ frame for movement between expanded and collapsed configurations;
- (b) a locking mechanism for maintaining said expansion leaf in ~~[[an]]~~ said expanded configuration, said locking mechanism comprising:
 - (i) a support arm pivotally connected, at a first end thereof, to said support frame;
 - (ii) an extension arm pivotally connected, at a first end thereof, ~~at opposing ends~~ to said ~~support arm~~ and said expansion leaf;
 - (iii) a pin slidably received within overlying slots formed a slot in second ends of said support arm and said extension arm, wherein said pin cooperates with said support arm to maintain said extension arm in axial alignment with said support arm~~[[.]]~~; and

(c) a stop bar which extends from the support frame and is configured to abut a portion of said locking mechanism when the table is in a collapsed configuration.

10. (Original) The table support system according to claim 9 wherein said support arm has a channel for slidably receiving said extension arm.

11. (Original) The table support system according to claim 10 wherein said support arm has an aperture for allowing said extension arm to pivot with respect to said support arm.

12. (Original) The table support system according to claim 11 wherein said support arm has a brace for maintaining said extension arm in axial alignment with said support arm.

13. (Currently Amended) An expandible and collapsible table comprising:

- (a) an expanded configuration wherein a support ~~structure~~ frame is expanded horizontally by a configurable truss, a pair of expansion leaves extend horizontally from opposing sides of said support ~~structure~~ frame, and each of a support arm and an extension arm are axially aligned to extend from a lower portion of said support structure to one of said expansion leaves; and
- (b) a collapsed configuration wherein said support structure is collapsed horizontally about said configurable truss, and said expansion leaves extend vertically from opposing sides of said support ~~structure~~ frame, and wherein a cooperating said support arm and said extension arm ~~co-~~ extend extend vertically in an overlying relationship and abut against a stop bar extending from said support

structure frame.

14. (Original) The expandable and collapsible table according to claim 13 wherein said support arm and said extension arm cooperate to form a locking mechanism.

15. (Original) The expandable and collapsible table according to claim 14 wherein said locking mechanism includes a pin slidable within a slot.

16. (Original) The expandable and collapsible table according to claim 15 wherein said pin is able to engage a first end of said slot for allowing said extension arm to pivot with respect to said support arm.

17. (Original) The expandable and collapsible table according to claim 16 wherein said support arm has an aperture for allowing said extension arm to pivot with respect thereto.

18. (Original) The expandable and collapsible table according to claim 15 wherein said pin is able to engage a second end of said slot for maintaining said extension arm in axial alignment with said support arm.

19. (Original) The expandable and collapsible table according to claim 18 wherein said support arm has a brace for maintaining said extension arm in axial alignment therewith.